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In presently preferred embodiments of the above described gantry transmission, the toothing of the spur gears of the gantry transmission is preferably designed as a helical toothing, the toothing of the first and of the second intermediate spur gears being designed so that the axial forces of the first and of the second intermediate spur gears become almost neutralized. In particular, the helical toothing of the spur gears is cut at a sloping angle whereby the helical cut teeth of the first and of the second intermediate spur gears (3, 4) are designed so that the axial forces of the first and of the second intermediate spur gears (3, 4) are substantially neutralized